

## Message

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**Subject:** RE: I hope this is the FINAL FINAL informal resolution agreement  
**Attachments:** Earthjustice EPA LAST draft resolution 1 23 2019.docx

Hello everyone,

Welcome back! I hope this note finds everyone well. I wanted to provide you with an update on the current status of the informal resolution discussions with HDOA. I was able to share all of EPA's most recent comments and edits with Delanie before the shut down and she responded last week with their updated version.

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Please take a look at this latest version and let me know if anything else stands out to you. I am checking schedules for next week to see if the entire investigative team can get together to walk through the Agreement, in preparation for a follow up call with HDOA. In addition, I have been asked to reach out to someone besides the current ADC point of contact to move that section forward.

As an aside, not sure if you are aware, but there has been a leadership change for HDOA and ADC. The new lead's name is Acting Chairperson Phyllis Shimabukuro-Geiser. We are hoping that maybe this could lead to better traction with ADC.

Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!

**From:** Garnett, Desean  
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**To:** Robinson, Brittany <Robinson.Brittany@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: I hope this is the FINAL FINAL informal resolution agreement

Hi Brittany,

I've attached Region 9's comments and edits

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Hi Desean-

Just checking to see if you had any additional edits or comments to the draft agreement. I had a brief conversation with Patti and Mary yesterday regarding some of their comments, but wanted to double check with you.

Thanks!

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Thanks Brittany, I'll review this with the Region 9 folks early next week.

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FYI-

I cleaned up the latest draft and I believe we are at the finish line. I gave HDOA the heads up that I believe we are close but that we were trying to have both the ADC and HDOA agreements signed together as a package. Delanie told me that she would try to work with ADC to see if they wanted to move forward. I have not heard anything.

I see the next steps as follows-

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If you have any additional input, let me know what you think. Thanks!

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FYI-

I just received HDOA's updated draft Agreement. I will review, but please let me know if you have any comments. I will also be scheduling a meeting to discuss ADC because I have not heard back from them yet.

Thanks!

**From:** Prescott-Tate, Delanie D <[delanie.d.prescott-tate@hawaii.gov](mailto:delanie.d.prescott-tate@hawaii.gov)>  
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Thank you for being so patient. Attached is what I hope will be the very LAST DRAFT.

One thing – I removed references to 40 CFR Part 5 – Not that we have any objection to adhering to Title IX, it's just that throughout this entire process Title IX was never specifically mentioned in any of the documents, and all allegations and responses have been directed to Title VI, so it seems unfair at this point in time to drag Title IX into the resolution agreement. I think the statement in paragraph I. F. about HDOA's commitment to carry out its non-discrimination responsibilities according to the requirements of "Title VI, and any other federal and state non-discrimination laws" should suffice. I hope you agree. The statement could be changed to "non-discrimination laws, rules, and regulations" if needed to be all inclusive.

I also updated the citations to Act 045 – the session laws were published but still no actual updated statute numbers have been assigned (well, they may have been assigned, just not published).

To briefly answer your questions: I am pretty much "okay" with the "rewrites" and have incorporated language that addresses the issues raised where I could. Let's keep the backlog stuff where it is – moving it to the background section doesn't really work since the background section starts with the complaint in 2016 and HDOA started tackling the backlog in 2015.

Regarding the way HDOA reconcile the RUP purchases against the applicator usage/storage, we don't use a waste manifest per se, but the RUP applicators are asked to account for "theft, transfer, spillage, etc." of any RUP under their control.

Act 045 doesn't specify how the public information is to be made public, but it will be on the HDOA website. In situations where it is advisable to notify the public, other than being posted on the HDOA website, HDOA issues press releases.

HDOA is in the process of translating the anti-discrimination policy and complaint procedures into 14 different languages.

I think that about covers it all. Let me know what you think!

Hope you enjoyed your Thanksgiving holiday!! Can you believe Christmas is just around the corner!?!

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